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# COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

For the record, Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that not all the claims include each of the limitations specified by the Examiner. For example, method claims 174 and 175 do not recite a chamber surrounding the piston. Furthermore, claim 175 does not recite a gripper actuation channel. Also, to the extent that there is any implication that the patentability of the claims rests on the recitation of a single feature, Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's Statement because it is the combination of features that makes the claims patentable.

Respectfully submitted,

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